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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF :  
JAYASEELAN DANIEL DONI, ET AL. : ATTN: APPLICATION DIVISION  
SERIAL NO: 10/582,957 :  
FILED: JUNE 15, 2006 :  
FOR: NEEDLE-SHAPED CERAMIC :  
BODY, NEEDLE-SHAPED :  
CERAMIC CATALYST BODY AND :  
METHOD FOR PRODUCING SAME :

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Support for the Amendments** begins on page 10 of this paper.